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P&G Case 9152R

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of

Cimiluca et al.

Serial No. 10/633,965

Filed August 4, 2003

Confirmation No. 5180

Group Art Unit 1623

Examiner Everett White

For Compositions Comprising A Polysaccharide Component And One Or More Coating Layers

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents

P. O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 9, 2004, for three month, from June 9, 2004 to September 9, 2004. The Director is hereby authorized to charge \$950 for the extension, plus any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 16-2480.

A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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